

# EXPLOSION FATAL TO FOURTEEN MEN

About Thirty Others Injured in  
du Pont Plant Near  
Gibbstown, N. J.

GIBBSTOWN, N. J., May 16.—At least fourteen men were killed and about thirty injured yesterday in a terrific explosion at the Repauno plant of the du Pont Powder Company, near here. The blast occurred in the building in which trinitrotoluol is manufactured and wrecked that structure and three others.

Some of the injured were taken to a hospital in Camden and other places, while about a score, who received minor wounds, were treated by physicians at the powder plant. The cause of the explosion is not known and, according to officials of the company, may never be ascertained, as all those believed to have been in the building where the first explosion occurred are dead.

Trinitrotoluol is not considered an explosive risk, and company officials believe that it caught fire before exploding. This blast caused a nearby building in which nitro-benzol is manufactured to blow up. So great was the force that two buildings some distance away in which huxitane was manufactured were wrecked, but the explosive did not go off.

## Flying Debris Is Fatal.

Many of those killed and injured were outside the buildings involved, and were either killed or hurt by flying debris. Other workmen promptly went to the rescue and ambulance calls were sent in to various surrounding towns. The widest rumors prevailed as to the number of dead, but the company was unable to give the number killed until all the employees had been checked up. Some of the dead were so badly mangled that identification was difficult. Two of the dead remain unidentified, and two other workmen are missing and believed dead by the company officials.

Investigations seeking to prove that various recent du Pont plant explosions were caused by spies have been unsuccessful.

## BIG DEMAND FOR SEATS FOR G. O. P. CONVENTION

Forty-Thousand Applications Have  
Been Received for the 12,400  
Tickets Available.

CHICAGO, May 16.—Officials of the republican national convention, which meets here June 7, declare that the demand for tickets to the gathering is unprecedented. Seats have been provided for 12,400 persons in the convention hall, and although the convention is three weeks away, 40,000 applications have been received for tickets.

Several applications were from persons in London, England, and a number have been received from Alaska, Hawaii, Porto Rico and Cuba.

Following a long-established custom visitors to the convention from out of town will have to look to their national committee men from their home state for tickets.

## Distribution of Tickets.

The 12,400 tickets will be distributed under the following arrangement: Delegates, 991; guest tickets, one to each delegate, 991; alternates, 991; press, 650; Chicago's share as convention city, 2,110; ten members, subcommittee on arrangements of the national republican committee, 200 each, 2,000; fifty-three members national republican committee, 150 to 200 each, 4,357; presidential candidates and other distinguished guests, 200.

Of the 12,400 seats, 9,500 will be on the main floor and 2,900 in the balcony and special mezzanines. The temporary chairman and other officers of the convention and their assistants and members of the republican national committee will occupy seats on the speakers' platform at the south end of the coliseum. Back of the speakers' platform will be 2,000 seats for distinguished guests.

On either side of the speaker's platform will be the 553 seats for working newspaper men. The delegates will occupy the space directly in front of the speakers' stand and back of them will be the alternates. The rest of the space on the main floor will be reserved for visitors.

## Belgian Successes in Africa.

PARIS, May 16.—Further successes for the Belgian expedition which has invaded German East Africa were announced in official statement just issued by the Belgian war department at Havre. The statement says that Col. Molitor, in command of the southern column, occupied Kigali, capital of the German province of Ruanda, May 14. The Belgian troops have also captured the island of Kivu, in Lake Kivu, which the Germans took by surprise at the beginning of the war.

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## MUTT AND JEFF—It's Hard to Be a Hero, Yes, Indeed, Very Hard.

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## CHEVY CHASE SEMINARY COMMENCEMENT HELD

Thirteen Graduates From Eleven  
States Are Addressed by Senator  
Sterling of South Dakota.

An appeal for the making of "an ideal of the real" was made by United States Senator Thomas Sterling of South Dakota last evening at Chevy Chase Seminary, Connecticut avenue extended, when he delivered the commencement address to the class of 1916, made up of thirteen young women from eleven states.

He also dwelt for a time upon the subject of preparedness, mentioning this connection the military instruction camp for women located just north of the seminary, but pointed out particularly that the preparedness which he would care to emphasize was that which he believed was embodied in the young women of the graduating class—a preparedness which fitted them for womanly duties in the world.

To the seminary motto, "The Crown and Glory of Life Is Character," Senator Sterling directed particular attention. Senator Sterling was presented by Vergil Barker of the faculty.

## Senator Sterling Presents Diplomas.

Concluding his address, Senator Sterling presented the diplomas to the young women grouped in a half circle upon the auditorium platform, with its extensive floral decorations.

In the class were Miss Phyllis Frank Beckman of Massachusetts, Miss Jane Briggs, Indiana; Miss Helen J. Carsten, Pennsylvania; Miss Lola S. Estberg, Wisconsin; Miss Genette Hemmaway, Colorado; Miss Mary E. Hibbs, Kentucky; Miss Sarah Marilla Moffitt, South Dakota; Miss Edna Marie Riley, Nebraska; Miss Nan Evelyn Spalding, Nebraska; Miss Letta Lenore Straight, Iowa; Miss Edith Dorothea Whitfield, Alabama; Miss Henrietta Tahr, Illinois; and Miss Gertrude A. Zinsmeister of Indiana.

Previous to the address of Senator Sterling a musical program was given by Thomas Evans Greene, baritone; Felix Garzella, pianist; and Miss Marquerite O'Toole, harpist. All are members of the faculty of the seminary.

Mr. Greene's numbers were Schubert's "Serenade," Mendelssohn's "Wedding March," and Chopin's "Etude in E Flat" and Scherzo at the opening and later Faure's "Romance" and "Polonaise," by Liszt. Miss O'Toole played Zabel's "Le Fouet" and "Spanish Patrol" by Tedeschi.

At the close of the program the receiving line, including Senator and Mrs. Sterling, and members of the faculty, followed by the graduating class, was formed in the south parlor and the guests of the evening passed before it. Mrs. Samuel Nelson Barker, principal of the seminary, was at the head.

## NOMINATES ENSIGN AUSTIN.

President Names Him for Junior  
Lientenancy in the Navy.

Ensign Joseph E. Austin, dismissed from the navy in February, 1910, for marrying while a midshipman, in violation of the regulation, and reinstated in March, 1915, by special act of Congress, has been nominated by the President to be lieutenant (junior grade). At present he is attached to the auxiliary cruiser Prairie, in West Indian waters.

It pays to read the want columns of The Star. Hundreds of situations are filled through them.

## RESTORED TO ACTIVE LIST.

Six Retired Army Officers to Be Assigned to Service.

Following examination as to their professional and physical capacity, six officers of the army, who had been retired for disability, are to be restored to the active list and assigned to duty. They are Maj. William O. Owen, Medical Corps; Capt. Ben H. Dorey, cavalry; Second Lieut. Joseph I. McMullen, cavalry; Maj. Lorenzo P. Davidson, infantry; Capt. Robert C. Williams, infantry, and Capt. Harold L. Jackson, infantry. Maj. Owen returns to the active list as a colonel, Capt. Dorey with his present rank, Lieut. McMullen as a first lieutenant, Maj. Davidson as a colonel, Capt. Williams as a lieutenant colonel of infantry and Capt. Jackson a major of infantry. All six will be carried as extra officers in grade.

## ALLEGED SLAYER GIVES UP.

Michael A. Rofrano Surrenders Voluntarily to New York Authorities.

NEW YORK, May 16.—Michael A. Rofrano, former deputy street cleaning commissioner of New York, has surrendered voluntarily to District Attorney Swann to answer to an indictment in connection with the murder of Michael Gaimari, in March, 1915, which was the outgrowth of a political feud here. Rofrano disappeared the day he was indicted, last October, and nothing has been known of his whereabouts until yesterday. A reward of \$5,000 had been offered for his arrest.

## BOY SCOUTS ARRANGING FOR TAG DAY SATURDAY

Prizes Are to Be Awarded to Ones  
Selling \$10 Worth or More.  
Funds Needed.

Boy Scouts troops throughout the city are busy making arrangements for the annual tag day of the local scout organization, to be held Saturday.

Orange and lavender tags are to be sold at 10 and 25 cents, respectively, and pennants for attaching to automobiles are to be sold at 50 cents each. Prizes are to be awarded to scouts selling \$10 worth of tags or more.

The supplies of tags are to be distributed to the scouts at their troop meetings Friday night, and stations will be maintained in various sections of the city, where additional supplies may be obtained Saturday if needed.

Copies of a letter, headed "Reasons for having a tag day," and signed by Arthur C. Moses, president of the local scout council, have been sent out broadcast to the scouts, to be distributed in their respective neighborhoods. The letter states, in part:

## Reasons for Tag Day Effort.

"Last November the local organization held a financial campaign for \$30,000, to pay off indebtedness and carry on the work for the next three years.

We obtained only \$11,904.13 in pledges and cash, the payment on the pledges covering periods of from one month to three years, the greater portion covering the longer time. We have been able to collect of the above amount \$5,328.33, the remainder, \$6,575.75, is pledged for the future.

"At the present time we have outstanding bills to the amount of \$6,000. No debts have been contracted since May, 1915.

"Our present expenses, covering everything, are under \$3,000 per year, including eight weeks of camp.

## Total Membership, 1,520.

"The total membership April 30, 1916, was 1,520. On a basis of \$3,000, the cost per boy is about \$2 per year. Since May, 1915, the increase in membership has been \$13 or sixty-seven per month. At the present rate of increase the cost per boy will be even less than \$2.

"If we raise \$10,000 on tag day we can pay off all indebtedness and carry on the work under normal conditions for the next three years. There are 13 men who have charge of troops who are volunteer workers. They give one or two evenings a week in instructions to the boys and perhaps an afternoon a week in the open country with the troop. If these men are so interested that they can leave their homes for the betterment of the future citizens of Washington, surely you cannot afford to refuse the appeal of the boy in the scout uniform for the very small sum he is requesting."

## To Pledge President Support.

A concurrent resolution to pledge Congress and the people of the United States to support all efforts of the President to maintain "even-handed and unprejudiced" neutrality and facilitate the establishment of a permanent peace has been introduced by Senator Gore, and at his request was laid over without discussion.

## PLANS FOR LABOR PARADE.

To Be Held July 4 at Dedication of  
A. F. L. Home.

A feature of the dedication exercises of the new home of the American Federation of Labor, under process of construction at 9th street and Massachusetts avenue northwest, will be a labor parade scheduled for the morning of July 4, and arranged for at a meeting last night of the Central Labor Union in Typographical Temple. It is expected that 25,000 organized local workers will participate in this event, together with elaborate floats depicting various vocations.

Invitations have gone to every Central Labor Union in the United States to send representatives to the dedicatory ceremonies, and to co-operate with the A. F. of L. in arranging details of the program. The local union has designated the following committee: Newton A. James, E. L. Tucker, W. V. Keeler, Hugh Digney and Daniel Hassett.

The Central Labor Union last night endorsed Jackson H. Rainston for election to Congress from the fifth Maryland district, and will request the Baltimore Central Labor Union to take similar action.

## Two Killed in Prison Shooting.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., May 16.—In a shooting affray at the state prison Sunday night Jody Harris, prisoner from Cheatham county, shot and killed Nelson Pack, a Knoxville prisoner; wounded Emmett Barrett, a Memphis prisoner, and was himself killed by Guard Joe Cope. Harris asked a guard for medicine. As the guard turned for it Harris grabbed his pistol and started for Pack.

## Examinations for West Point.

A board of officers has been ordered to convene at Washington barracks, June 6, for the mental and physical examination of candidates for admission to the United States Military Academy as may be authorized to appear before it. The detail for the board is: Maj.

A. W. Williams and First Lieut. James W. Hart of the Medical Corps, and Capt. J. N. Hodges and V. L. Peterson and First Lieut. Frank S. Besson, Corps of Engineers.

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